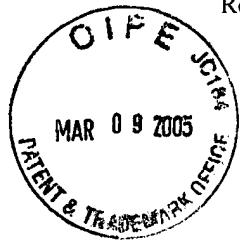


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In response to the Notice of fee deficiency of March 2, 2005 Applicant respectfully submits the following items:

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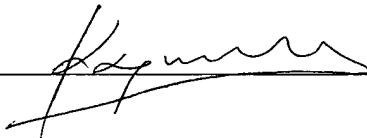
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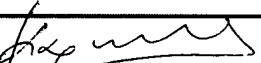
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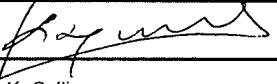
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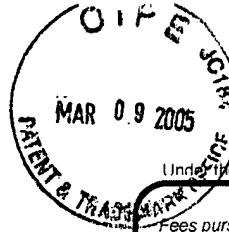
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FEE TRANSMITTAL

For FY 2005

 Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)

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Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	_____
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	_____
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	_____
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	_____
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2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**Fee Description**

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)	<u>Fee (\$)</u>	<u>Small Entity Fee (\$)</u>
	50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)	200	100

Multiple dependent claims

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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).

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NOTICE OF FEE DEFICIENCY

The informality regarding the payment of the fee is indicated below in connection with

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the reply filed on 2-16-05 because of the following matter(s). See 37 CFR 1.111 and 37 CFR 1.135.

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4. The filing fee of \$ 200.00 submitted in this application is insufficient. A balance of \$ 200.00 is due for presentation of excess claims (37 CFR 1.16(b) & (c)).

5. Other.

Explanation (Provide specific details of the required correction in order to assist the applicant. Indicate whether a service charge has been added to the fee due):

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Deborah Pollard

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